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To: All School Districts and County Superintendents of Schools

Subject: **ADVISORY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE STATE ALLOCATION BOARD AND OTHER ISSUES**

On August 26, 1998, the State Allocation Board (SAB) apportioned approximately \$3.6 million for on-going projects, bid approvals, and consent special/appeal items. The SAB also addressed other issues as follows:

Consent Calendar

The cost indices for Class D, Furniture and Equipment, and Historical Savings Index remain the same as the previous month. However, the cost index for Class B increased from 1.29 to 1.30.

The consent agenda included Phase P, S and C "unfunded" approvals for more than 193 projects with an "unfunded" value of approximately \$85.5 million.

Status of Funds

The Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) presented a change order funding proposal. The SAB adopted to fund the change orders on the "unfunded" list, and to continue funding change orders on an on-going basis from the Contingency Reserve "Change Orders" category.

Other Issues

Senate Bill 50, Chapter 407

As you are aware, the Governor's Budget includes new school facilities legislation which will be placed on the November ballot as Proposition 1A. It is called the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998: Class Size Reduction Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1998. If approved by the electorate, it will provide school facilities funding in the amount of \$9.2 billion over a four-year period for grades K-12 and higher education. The OPSC is being proactive by focusing on program processes in anticipation of the largest bond act in history becoming a reality. In order to remain informed regarding this issue, the OPSC suggests:

- Reviewing the OPSC Web Page for the latest information,
- Reference future Advisory letters, or
- Attending SAB Implementation Committee meetings, devoted to SB 50. The proposed dates of the SAB Implementation Committee meetings are September 10, 17, 18, and 24; October 1 and 8, 1998. Be aware that these meetings may continue into the following day if it is determined that it is necessary in order to meet the established timelines. The locations and times will be announced.

### Interim Housing Allowance

In the last Advisory letter, dated August 7, 1998, the OPSC addressed the issue of the Interim Housing allowance. However, the OPSC did not address how the allowance is determined. The following formula is intended to clarify the issue:

The number of eligible classrooms multiplied by the length of the contract (plus one month) multiplied by \$200. Add an additional one-time set-up cost of \$500 per unit.

For further information regarding the Interim Housing allowance, please refer to the Advisory letter, dated August 7, 1998.

### Deferred Maintenance Program

On August 19, 1998, changes to County assignments were made to the Deferred Maintenance Unit. Should questions arise regarding projects and/or Five-Year Plans, please refer to the OPSC internet address: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/opsc/defm.htm> for County assignments.

### Deferred Maintenance Program Apportionments

The SAB approved basic funding apportionments for participating districts and critical hardship projects. Districts have been notified of the SAB's action. However, please be aware that the amounts used to calculate each district's apportionment will be adjusted at the October 28, 1998 SAB meeting. Districts will be informed of the SAB's action.

### Contracts

Please be advised that districts planning to participate in any SAB programs, need to assure that all contracts entered into must meet the statutory requirements of the Education Code, the Government Code, Public Contract Code, California Code of Regulations (Title 24), and any other legal requirements deemed to be appropriate. Districts should contact their legal counsel to determine if their contracts meet all the necessary legal requirements prior to the start of any work.

### State Relocatable Classroom Program

The SAB approved the purchase of 275 additional relocatable buildings in order to fulfill district requests. The OPSC is currently working with the Department of General Services/Procurement Division to ensure a timely purchase of the buildings. Should districts have any questions, please contact Olivia Campos-Mulligan at (916) 323-2282 or via e-mail at [ocampos@dgs.ca.gov](mailto:ocampos@dgs.ca.gov).

Should you have questions regarding the contents of this letter, please contact your Project Manager.

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